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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C, Nov. 13th, 1909.

AFTER a protracted absence during a long summer vacation, the personnel of the Goverment, with the exception of the Legislative Branch, is back in Washington. An extension and positive legislative and administrative program is in prospect. The President during his journey of several weeks, covering nearly every state, made numerous speeches and was not reticent as to his intentions. The mere fact that he is the executor of the Roosevelt Policies, a fact which he has again and again emphasized is sufficient to indicate that there will be something doing at the Capitol during the coming winter.

Perhaps the most important project, although the least sensational, will be an effort to remedy the Laws delays in the Federal Courts and to invent a plan for securing prompt and economical justice in the Federal Courts, thereby setting an example to the State Courts.

It is a fact acknowledged by all except snide lawyers that the administration of justice in this country is more dilatory and slovenly than in any civilized country, with the exception of Russia, if indeed Russia can be called civilized.

It is expected that the President wil recommend legislation surpressing the boycott. Also, a bill modifying the injunction processes. There will be a recommendation to Congress imposing limitations upon the transfer of water power sites to individuals and corporations and fixing rentals and rates to be charged. He will also recommend reforms in the mineral land laws to the effect that coal, iron, and other minerals shall be treated under the royalty system, bringing the Government a perpetual revenue.

The question of ship subsidies will be urged upon Congress with the object of developing our Merchant Marine with of course the ulterior object of furnishing a large number of sea-seasoned Americans to man the United States war ships in time of war.

The adoption of an income tax amendment to the Constitution will be favored, this tax to be resorted to only in time of national stress.

The creation of a Central Bank of issue will be recommended, the object of which will be to guard against currency stringency.

The President will also urge that the interstate Commerce Commission shall have increased powers in the regulation of the issue of railroad securities on a sound basis. Also, to classify freight, to inititate complaints of discrimination in rates, to compel connecting railroads to form continuous routes, and to establish fixed rates among common carriers.

It may be inferred from statements in his speeches, that he will recommend the prohibition of holding stock in competing railroads, and probably a new Court of Appeals to hear cases carried up from the decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission in fixing rates.

It will be seen at a glance that this is a heavy and very important program, and it is doubtless sufficient to keep Congress busy for the remainder of Mr. Taft's administration.

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The President's official family, as his Cabinet is called, is back in Washington and busy in the preparation of the several reports for Congress. It is to be understood that there will be a rigid cutting down of expenses.

The postmaster-general has announced his intention to make the Post Office, as far as possible, non-expensive to the Government. He, however, cannot do this without legislation. The Post Office is the greatest common carrier in the world, but in the United States, the cream of carrying profits is skimmed by the express companies, leaving the Post Office department only the skimmed milk. The Post Office department should be in this country, as it is in other countries, a source of profit to the Government. There are thousands of city carriers and rural carriers, who, if the United States had a parcels post law, like other civilized and even semi-civilized countries, could be used without additional expense to deliver small packages, and thus be of incalculable service to the people, and pay through the Post Office, a revenue to the Government.

The Secretary of the Navy has a program of economy, which it is hoped is not merely missionary, but he will certainly have opposition from Senators Hale of Maine and McHenry of Louisiana and other in his efforts to wipe out utterly useless and expensive Navy Yards in ports that the ships of the United States Navy cannot enter, and which have been useless since the discontinuance of shallow draft wooden war vessels.

SUSSEX TO HAVE GOOD ROADS

With country roads deep in sands during the dry seasons and heavy with mud when the rains come, farmers and townspeople alike eagerly awaiting the overthrow of the present unsatisfactory system of district road overseers. Under a new law passed by the last Legislature, which goes into effect March 1st, the County Commissioners will appoint competent civil engineers, and who shall hold office for four years at a suitable salary to be fixed by the Commissioners.

Under the direction of the engineers two suitable men will be appointed to look after the roads in each district, one of whom shall live in the district, and those two will recommend and carry out all repairs to the roads subject to the approval of the Commissioners. With the reign of the road overseers each man did as he pleased, but under the new law one man will plan the character of the roads and all in a county will be uniform.

Already there are many candidates for the position in Sussex, but the County Commissioners are decided to have none but a graduate of a technical school, a man of experience in road building and one familiar with the peculiar disadvantages of Delaware soil.

HOUSEHOLD LETTER

NEW YORK, Novetuber 15th, 1909.

The women who have made a notable social or busiress success through their skill in cookery, have almost invariably achieved this reputation by confining their efforts to a very few dishes, often quite homely ones, but so unusual in flavoring and in delicacy of texture that once tasted everyone longs for more of the same sort.

Lady Cookery

There is a certain inimitable something about "Lady Cookery" that escapes even the most skilled professional and the woman who has this knack and the cleverness to exploit it need never lack success. In almost every circle Mrs. A's coffee or Mrs. B's doughnuts, or Mrs. C's apple pies are regarded as special treats and are considerable factors in the success of any charitable or church entertainment.

Almost everyone has heard the story of the "Pin-money Pickles" that have made a capable Southern woman both famous and financially independent, and have impelled many other women to start in the same way and achieve more or less success. Such work usually begins in a rather small way supplying people who already know something of Mrs. X's culinary skill, but if her skill is real and her methods, business methods, good, her reputation spreads out in circles as endless as when a pebble is dropped into water.

A Woman Caterer

In Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. S. R. Dull has made a wonderful success as a caterer because of her skill in delicate Lady Cookery and her knowledge of what appeals to the tastes and palates of her patrons. One of the things for which she is known is a delicious muffin that never varies in its excellence and delicacy of texture. She has been good enough to allow the publication of her recipe in this letter.

Rumford Muffins

Sift one and one-half level cups of flour with two heaping teaspoons of Rumford Baking Powder, one teaspoon of sugar and half teaspoon salt. Beat one egg light, add to it one cup sweet milk and pour over flour mixing well. Stir in last one tablespoon of melted butter and pour batter into well greased gem irons made very hot.

Mother Johnson's Flapjacks

Everyone familiar with the Saranac region of the Adirondacks knows Mother Johnson's Carry, but not everyone has tasted the flapjacks for which the lady was famous. There was, of course, a little secret in their making which accounted for their peculiar excellence. "Enough flour is added to a quart of sour milk to make a rather thick batter." The secret is that this is left to stand over night instead of being finished at once; indeed it may stand twenty-four hours. If mixed at night however, next morning add two well beaten eggs, a little salt and half a teaspoonful of soda, dissolved in a teaspoonful of warm water. Cook immediately.

Diplomatic Chocolate

A certain lady who has achieved great success in Washington, D. C., as a hostess has given this recipe for her famous chocolate. "Allow two sticks of chocolate to one pint of new milk. After the chocolate is scraped, let it stand an hour or so with a tablespoonful of milk to soften it. Bring the pint of milk to a boil and sweeten it to taste with loaf sugar, then add the chocolate that has been mashed to a smooth paste and mixed with a little of the hot milk to insure its even dilution. Let it boil half a minute and beat it with an egg whip. Serve with whipped cream on top or not, as preferred. Miss S. adds a very little brandy to the flavoring and uses a chocolate which is flavored with vanilla. ELEANOR FRANCES.

TUBERCULOSIS BEING WIPED OUT

During the year that has passed since the International Congress on Tuberculosis met at Washington, one institution or organization for the treatment or prevention of tuberculosis has been established every day, Sundays and holidays included, according to a bulletin of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. Fifteen new beds in hospitals or sanatorio have been provided also for every day of the year.

A year ago the rate of increase was one organization or institution every other day, only one-half as fast as now. Less than a year ago there were 40 consumptives for every hospital bed provided. To-day the number has been reduced to 30. Nearly 20,000 beds are now provided in institutions for the treatment of consumption, an increase of over 5,500. The number of special tuberculosis dispensaries in the United States has more than doubled the number of anti-tuberculosis associations.

In one branch of anti-tuberculosis work, particularly emphasized by the International Congress, a signal advance has been made, that is, in the provision of hospital accommodations for advanced cases. In all parts of the country, state and municipal authorities have been urged to provide hospitals for dangerous cases of tuberculosis, with the result that over 1,000 beds have been established in the past year. At the present time there are, however, only 6,000 beds, and 75,000 advanced cases which ought to be in hospital. Fully 75,000 others could be treated at home, but it would be safer for the community to segregate them in institutions. Every advanced case of tuberculosis is a center from which the disease spreads, and unless the patient is taught how to be careful in his habits, and unless he has the proper home surroundings, he should be in a hospital, where he will not be a menace to others.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis declares that at least 70,000 more beds in hospitals are needed for advanced cases of consumption. Until these are provided tuberculosis cannot be wiped out. If everybody in the United States gave $5 to provide hospitals for the dangerous consumptives, sufficient funds would be procured to destroy forever the threat of tuberculosis from this country.

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

A glass of hot milk taken just before retiring will often induce sleep for those troubled with insomnia.

For burns and scalds, nothing is so effective as lime water and sweet oil. Take equal parts of each, shake well in a bottle, then apply. Old muslin is very good and will not "draw." Saturate well and tie on.

A woman who knows all the ins and outs of the well-dressed world tells how to scent gloves. Pour perfumery in the palms of the hands or rub oil of flowers on the palms and place the gloves on the hands for several minutes until the odor penetrates them. The warmth of the hand drives the oils into the glove and good perfume will remain for many months.

If a pair of kid gloves tried for the first time seem too small, warm them and they will gain a size at least so far as ease of getting them onto the hands is concerned.

Don't rush immediately into the cold air after a hot bath, both for the sake of your skin and to prevent colds. Dashing with water as cold as you can stand it will make an early outdoor trip safe after the pores are opened by the hot water.

To steam velvet, light a burner of the gasoline stove and invert over it a baking dish. Put a wet cloth on the upturned bottom of the dish, lay the velvet over that and brush the nap gently the right way.

Clean sheets of Manila paper in the kitchen will save the washing of many dishes after preparing a meal.

Table raisins are more delicious if they are plumped by soaking in cold water before putting on the table.

An excellent polish for mahogany is made of one part of boiled linseed oil to two parts of alcoholic shellac varnish.

Rub the children's shoes frequently with a little vaseline. They will last longer, look better, and remain soft to the end.

Hang your brushes by loops of wire instead of string. It is easier to slip on and off the hook and does not wear out or twist.

Do not hem a heavy silence cloth for the dining table, as it is apt to make a ridge under the tablecloth. Buttonhole the cut edges instead.

When the tips come off shoe laces, instead of throwing them away, dip the ends in melted glue, allow to dry and children can lace their shoes without trouble.

A little good toilet water or cologne poured into a bath is delightful in its effects.

To take disagreeable medicine eat one or two cloves or hold ice in the mouth until the tongue is chilled, and the medicine will be less disagreeable. Medicines that discolor the teeth may be taken through soda straws.

Drinking with meals greatly dilutes the saliva, making mastication all the more difficult; besides, in this way the contents are easily softened and washed down before being properly chewed.

A sun bath is of more value to health than much warming by the fire.

A housewife with a regard for dust should keep on hand several sizes of soft varnish and paint brushes. So equipped she need not fear dust will disgrace her by sticking in the corners of moldings, in the carvings of furniture, and along the edges of mirrors.

As soon as grease is spilled on the floor sop it up with a soft cloth, then lay blotting paper over the spot and iron with a warm flat iron till the grease is absorbed by the paper. If the spot is very large it may take more than one piece of blotting paper to wholly absorb the grease.

As soon as a can or bottle of olive oil is opened put in two lumps of loaf sugar to the pint. Keep in as cool a place as possible. The sugar does not change the taste of the oil.

Peroxide will take out many stains in cotton and silk or even satin frocks, and is especially good for those that come in white satin sleeve linings from overheating exercise. As the lining in the smart coats comes only to the waist and is loose from the cloth, being attached lightly at the seams, a towel or other linen can be rolled up and pushed under the stained part when the liquid is applied.

There is a firmly grounded idea that summer clothes must be put away rough dried. There is so little, if any, injury to the material from careful ironing before packing that the woman who wishes comfort on the first hot day will risk it. An excellent way to pack the summer clothes is to have shelves built in an attic closet or in a room that is little used. These shelves should be lined with blue paper and the clothes neatly folded upon them, if possible, at full length. See that clothes of the same kind are placed together, as all the white linen skirts, lingerie frocks, tailored shirtwaists and so on. In this way if one of these articles is wanted in a hurry there will be no mad turning over of one's entire wardrobe, with ruin to careful ironing.

To insure a good color after several months it is well to put the blue paper or heavily lined muslins between separate pieces or at least at frequent intervals among them. Cover each shelf with a blue muslin or old crib sheet. Hang sheet inside closet door to keep out dust. Second summer hats would not be the sorry sight they are if more carefully put away. Dust well, wiping off with tissue paper and pack to avoid injury in boxes with tight-fitting lids.

Candles For Christmas

Christmas candlemakers are busy for many months in the year. It would be impossible to estimate how many hundreds of dozens of pretty little colored wax candles are required for Christmas trees all over Europe and America. There are also candles for church decoration at Christmas-tide. Whereas the Christmas tree tapers are, some of them, so tiny as to require seventy-two to make a pound, the great altar shafts of pure beeswax will sometimes stand six feet and weigh forty pounds apiece.

"SANITATION"

Dr. D. W. Lewis gave the following interesting talk on "Sanitation" before the Woman's Home Institute on Wednesday, November 3d.

The subject of sanitation is so extensive and of so much importance to us as individuals and as a community that I find it difficult to make my remarks connected, in the ten minutes allotted to me. I shall make no pretense of covering the field, but will talk briefly on a few practical matters.

First, I wish to call your attention to a few prevalent diseases which to a great extent are preventable by proper sanitation. I can only refer to these conditions, hoping to arouse your interest sufficiently to make you inform yourselves more thoroughly concerning them; then I know you will take the necessary action to avoid the awful suffering consequent upon their development. This educational campaign regarding sanitation is on in earnest and I am glad to see this institute realizes its great importance. The mortality from tuberculosis is being reduced annually because our people are becoming better informed as to the cause and means of inspection. The life saving feature of sanitation appeals to all human beings in such a manner that it is impossible to cast it aside when once you have realized its enormity. The physician saves lives one at a time and you think his calling noble, but the sanitary expert saves lives by thousands. Is it not far better to prevent the pollution of our food, houses, and streets by tuberculosis than to spend millions on treatment and then see our loved ones die by thousands? Is it not infinitely wiser to prevent the pollution by sewage of a stream supplying a city, than to fight that pollution in the bodies of innocent victims of filth, or even to attempt to purify the millions of gallons of filth-laden water every day? Far cheaper is it to spend millions of dollars and rid our country of the mosquitoes carrying yellow fever and malaria, than to wait for the appalling toll required from an edidemic of yellow fever besides the monetary loss from crippling of business by quarantine, while malaria takes its yearly tribute of thousands of lives in our own country and destroys earning power to the extent of many millions of dollars.

The house-fly is already recognized as a common carrier of disease and in a short time the same destructive war will be waged against the fly as is now against the mosquito. Typhoid fever is a preventable disease and it is said by high authority that if all typhoid cases were taken care of properly for thirty years, we would have none. Protection of water supply is the great means of preventing typhoid. By sewerage and filtration the mortality from this disease in various cities has been reduced from 60 to 98 per cent. Food and drink are the means by which many and serious diseases enter the human system. It is overwhelming to think of the daily loss of lives because of carelessness or uncleanliness in preparation and consumption of food and drink. As this is to a great extent under our supervision, it behooves us to busy ourselves in controlling these matters. We should see to the habits of cleanliness as well as to the physical condition of our servants, especially to the cook and child's nurse. I see so many people in danger from these two sources that I often shudder at the possible consequences. About the first of October last year there occurred a localized outbreak of typhoid fever at one of the boarding houses for students at University of Wisconsin. In less than one month forty-one cases developed. The source of infection was traced positively to a kitchen assistant who cared for the dishes. His uncleanliness cost several lives.

Sanitation in the home will be on a much higher plane with the substitution of the vacuum cleaner for the broom, and one very effective means of spreading disease will be removed from us. The common dust in our homes is such an excellent breeding ground for disease that we heartily welcome the time when the broom will become obsolete. By means of the vacuum cleaner the germ-laden dust is collected and can easily be destroyed, which is infinitely better than to scatter the dust in all direction, sooner or later to settle on shelves, curtains, carpets, etc. I know of no better unintentional way to infect a person with disease producing germs than by the ordinary use of the broom in our homes, especially is this so, if in the home is confined a sufferer with tuberculosis.

The management and care of children should occupy a little of our time. The rules of hygiene personal and otherwise taught the child in his early years have a lasting impression, grow up with the child, and form a part of the man. When the child enters school the amount of work undertaken should be in proportion to his physical and mental fitness to accomplish it. We see so much damage from *overwork*—especially in young girls who have more ambition than physical endurance, who when school is closed for the day, instead of being out of doors till evening, go straight home and pour over their books every possible spare moment. I hope to impress upon you that this is the greatest mistake of your lives. By so doing you are inviting defeat to every worthy desire in life beyond school honors. You are making a physical wreck of yourselves from which you are likely never to fully recover. To accomplish high aims, to do the greatest good for the longest time, it is absolutely necessary to keep your power of resistance at the highest possible point. I would say to parents try hard to grow *healthy* children and be ready at all times to make any sacrifice to obtain this end; teach the child from the earliest possible moment that to be happy he must be healthy. If he seems to be dull or abnormal in any respect, investigate his condition. He may have adenoids, hypertrophied tonsils, or defective vision, and the correction of these would result in material benefit. I think I can venture to say that one-half of the so-called dull children in school suffer from adenoids, an easily curable condition. The child's desk in school should be looked after very carefully in order to prevent spinal curvature a condition often unobserved and not uncommon. How often we find that the boy or girl upon reaching manhood or womanhood has used every particle of energy he or she may have had and now is totally unfit to assume life's duties. Almost as often we find these same boys and girls are the ones who have worked valiantly—yes overworked—and won the honors at school. The lesson is plain. Parents advise your children and explain to them the importance of a high bodily resistance, that they may escape being nervous wrecks or subjects of tuberculosis.

I feel that our milk supply should receive more attention. Milk is a most excellent culture medium for various disease producing organisms and a common carrier of tuberculosis. Inspectors should be appointed to investigate the health of cattle supplying milk to the public and to see that all parties who handle the milk are healthy and cleanly in their habits. The cow should be tuberculin tested and only milk from healthy cows allowed to be sold. Most rigid cleanliness in every particular should be enforced to prevent infection of the milk from outside sources. It is so easy for a milkman suffering with tuberculosis to infect the milk. I should say that it would be unwise to allow anyone suffering with tuberculosis to have anything to do with the milking or delivery of same. Until legislation is more effective in these matters it would be worth while to have the various milk supplies tuberculin tested at regular intervals to see that it is free from tubercle infection.

Tuberculosis claims about one in every six persons throughout the known world so you must realize its importance. Each and everyone of us are more or less exposed to the infection either because of our own ignorance or carelessness or that of others. With our present knowledge and by the exercise of proper care we can prevent tuberculosis. Our first step in so doing is to spread this knowledge to all human beings and to teach them the importance of its practicability. It is impossible for us to realize the number of lives that can be saved in a few years by an organized educational campaign on tuberculosis. In conclusion let me urge upon you in all your meetings to push the supject of sanitation for in no other line of work can you accomplish so much good.

PREPARE FOR CENSUS WORK

Following the engagement of office room in the Federal Building, the work preliminary to taking the United States Census in Delaware is now under way, under the direction of Dr. L. Heisler Ball, State supervisor. The actual work of enumeration, however, will not begin until April 1st. The city of Wilmington must be finished by April 14th and the state work by April 30th.

Meanwhile Dr. Ball's mail has developed to prodigious proportions, papers and instructions from the Census Bureau coming in bunches of two or three mail-sacks, and applications for clerical and enumeration positions flowing in like an ever-rising tide.

Dr. C. S. Rice will be chief clerk. Dr. Ball has not received instructions as yet regarding the number of office clerks and enumerators that will be necessary to made the census here. Each enumerator will receive about 2 cents for each name. The Government scale of pay for these workers covers a wide range and is rather complex.

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DIVORCES WHILE YOU WAIT!

No laws delay for the multi-millionaire when his lecherous mouth waters for a fresh marital morsel; for certain toady New York judges are complacent beyond the law in their wishes to hurry up and hush up these rich unyokings!

A recent daily gives a list of eight multi-millionaires who have within the past few months made their lightning changes matrimonial in the New York Courts—in every case, "quietly" and with "sealed papers!" For awhile Mr. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt—he of automobile record smashing fame,—held the record for swift unmating—one month and twenty-three days But now comes the latest of these Croesus divorce getters, a scion of the old fur-buyer John Jacob Astor, a later unworthy John Jacob A., who knocks the records of quick divorces sky high in securing his in the amazingly brief period of twenty-three days! And to heighten the luster of his achievement he gets his marital shackles struck off without permitting the recherche—name of "Awstor" even once to be heard in open court!

Well, it's a bit hopeful to see a member of one of the "first families" (sic!) so much ashamed of the nasty business as to wish to keep the washing of his dirty matrimonial linen quite from the popular gaze. Perhaps later some of this gentry may actually come to pay something like respect to the laws of God and common decency. But what a contemptible thing this juridical truckling to dropsical pelf! Nor can these ermined worshipers of Mammon, who transcend the law in thus granting "secret divorces—all records sealed."etc., pretend they do it in the interests of public morality, since their course only serves to encourage the vile fad of wife swapping among the very class—the millionaires—whose tendencies thereto need curbing most by the only thing that does at least a little, do so—publicity.

DEATH TO THE SUGAR SERPENT!

Tuesday's *Philadelphia Record* has one of DeMar's keen cartoon thrusts in a picture showing the New York Custom House, forth from whose doorway, issues a monster serpent with its many folds of sugar barrels trailing down the stone steps. In the fore-ground stands a man labeled "Taft," threatening the dreadful beast—whose voracious throat is wide open—with an umbrella! Yes, that's it exactly! This Administration is going to say "scat" to the devouring Beast! Till GeorgeH. Earle choked $10,000,000 out of the Colossal Thief, the Washington authorities were afraid to even say "scat."

FEDERAL JURORS DRAWN

United States Jury Commissioner J. Wilkins Cooch and Clerk of the United States Courts William G. Mahaffy Monday drew the following grand jury panel for service at the coming session of the United States District Court. The grand jurors will report at 11 30 o'clock on Tuesday morning, November 23d, 1909. The list of jurors follows:

Francis I. duPont, Wilmington hundred; Joseph C. Lank, Lewes and Rehoboth hundred; Charles H. Russell, Cedar Creek hundred; John L. Graham, Kenton hundred; George F. Pierce, Milford hundred; Robert I. Houston, Dagsboro hundred; George W. Davis, St. Georges hundred; Nathan Messick, Dagsboro hundred; Robert E. Ellis, Seaford hundred; William I. Lurty, Duck Creek hundred; John W. Stevens, North Murderkill hundred; William P. Hastings, Wilmington hundred; Frederick Darlington, Wilmington hundred; William H. Smith, Broad Creek hundred; Frederick P. Bennett, Wilmington hundred; Edmund P. Moody, Wilmington hundred; William T. Rickards, Little Creek (S) hundred; Lewis H. Price, Duck Creek hundred; Houston Colbreth, East Dover hundred; Thompson Ewing, White Clay Creek hundred; Matthew D. Murphy, Wilmington hundred; J. Frank David, Blackbird hundred; James M. Steele, Georgetown hundred.

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CURRENT P

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	$1.09	Corn—	
No. 2		Yellow, shelled	56
Timothy Seed	$2.50	" cob	55
Clover Seed	.11	Oats	60

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	32@34
Country Butter, per lb	31@33
Creamery Butter, per lb	39
Lard, per lb	13@17
Live Chickens, per lb	12@14
Potatoes	35@45

FOR SALE!

Scarlet Clover Hay, baled	$16 00 ton
Cotton Seed Meal	$35 00 ton
Bran	$25.00 ton
Old fashioned Buckwheat Flour	$ 3.00 bag

JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Proclamation!

It is meet in these, the closing days of another year, that we pause in our pursuits, to express our gratitude to Almighty God for the manifold blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Peace and prosperity have marked the progress of the passing year. Tranquillity has dwelt in the hearts and homes of the people. Plenty has been lavish with the abundance of her cornucopia, and an Ever Protecting Hand has shielded us from all harm and evil.

And therefore, in recognition of these benefits and blessings, as well as in conformity with the recommendation of the President of the United States, I, Simeon S. Pennewill, Governor of the State of Delaware, do set apart

THURSDAY, NOV. 25th, INSTANT,

as a day of thanksgiving and prayer; and do recommend that the people of this State on that day refrain from their usual vocations, and in their homes and places of worship, offer unto God thanks for the bounteous gifts that have fallen from His hand, and prayers for the continuance of His divine favors.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Simeon S. Pennewill, Governor of the State of Delaware, have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal to be affixed, at Dover, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and nine, and the year of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and thirty-fourth.

[SEAL]

By the Governor:

SIMEON S. PENNEWILL

WILLIAM T. SMITHERS Sec. of State.

Middletown Opera House

Thanksgiving Night

November 25th, '09

The New Century Club

WILL PRESENT

"Out of Town"

A Comedy in Three Acts

BEGINNING AT 8 O'CLOCK

Music by Pool's Orchestra

Candy will be sold between the Acts

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS

RESERVED SEATS, 35 CTS.

Seats on sale at Letherbury's Store

M. BANNING,

DEALER IN

Fancy Groceries, Meats, Notions, &c.

Come and inspect our new goods that are coming in every day.

We now have more room for you to look over our stock; as we have enlarged our store room.

Don't forget the new dates, figs, currants, citron, lemon and orange peel. Everything in now for fruit cake and mincemeat. Also nuts and foreign and domestic fruits in abundance.

Remember we always have a line of fresh bread, pies, cakes and doughnuts.

A word to the farmers and butchers. We have ground alum and fine salt in all size bags; also sage, pepper and salt petre.

Give us a call and we can do you good on these supplies. We invite the Public to come see our improved store room, as we are now better fixed to accommodate you all.

Phone No. 60.

M. BANNING.

East Main St.

Middletown, - - Del.

FARM WANTED!

I desire to buy a farm containing from 140 to 175 acres. Must be in good state of cultivation, well located and have good buildings. Give full particulars, including price, size, location, etc. Will deal with owner—no agents. All correspondence strictly confidential. Address,

W., THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT,
Middletown, Del.

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING

BARGAIN SALE

Making this good store better you have got to bring up a store as you bring up a human being. Watch for weaknesses—develop its good points.

We are building this business that way, holding fort to the idea that our success is in your satisfaction. And satisfaction you will always get here. Our stock this fall is larger and better than ever and we can positively guarantee to give you better values than any other store.

When we say bargains, we mean bargains We will start a reduction sale of Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Dresses, Coats, Skirts, Waists, Millinery, Underwear and Children's Dresses and Coats. These prices will be good until the last day of the month only. Our store is crowded now with an entire full line of fall and winter goods As the people of this vicinity have always found our store the best and most reliable and the lowest in prices, you will positively be surprised to find, at this sale, still lower prices prevail. But you must come yourself and be convinced if you want to save some of your good money, so don't miss this sale.

Here are only a few of the many bargains waiting for you.

These prices talk for themselves. Don't delay. Come early as we don't think there is enough to go around.

25 children's worsted sample dresses made in various styles. Sizes 6 and 8 only. They are a bargain at $2.50. For this sale only 98c.

Black sateen and heatherbloom petticoats, in various styles. There isn't one in the lot but what is worth $2.00 For this sale only 98c.

Our stock of waists is now complete. Lawns, silk, nets, sateen, flannel, madras, in different colors, at unheard of low prices. If you need a waist come and see ours first. Special during the sale. Black taffeta silk waists for $2 50. Regular price $4.50.

MILLINERY.—About 100 hats, all the newest shapes, artistically trimmed, with the prettiest and best of trimmings which we have marked down for this sale at half price. Hats that were from $5.00 to $10.00 are now from $2.50 to $5.00.

There are hundreds of other bargains awaiting you in children's coats and dresses, wrappers, underwear and hosiery and if you want to take advantage of these big bargains, you positively must come early because they will not last long at the prices we are offering them.

There is another bargain. A lot of white linen, batiste, plaid muslin, tailor-made waists. Value $1 00, sale price 50c.

	Former Price	Sale Price
A lot of Ladies' Coat Suits	$10.00	$ 6.50
A lot of Ladies' Coat Suits	$18.00	$12.00
Ladies' and Misses' Long Coats	$ 5.00	$ 3.50
Another lot of Ladies' and Misses' Coats	$ 7.50	$ 5.00
Another lot of Ladies' and Misses' Coats	$12 00	$ 7.50
And many others that have been reduced.		
Ladies' and Misses' skirts, all colors and sizes in all the new shades	$2.75 to $6.00	$1.98 to $3.00

A. FOGEL,

Middletown, - Delaware

A Suit You'll Be Proud of

That's the kind of a Suit your Fall Suit should be.

And it's the kind of a Suit it will be if it comes from this Home of Good Clothes.

The known character and the apparent superiority of our clothing are sometimes positive handicaps to us, because people form the idea that such fine clothes cost more than they do.

But with all our selling of the finest Ready-to-wear Clothes in the World, we have never neglected the man whose outlay for a suit is to be

$10, $12 or $15

FOR INSTANCE, take this season's great array of Suits at these prices. The variety is large—they fit perfectly and they are designed by the same experts and made in the same workrooms and with the same care as our clothing at double the price.

The man who wants the best moderate priced Suit his money can buy, will do well to turn his steps towards this store, where his satisfaction is assured.

We have Suits as low as ..... $ 5.00
We have Suits as high as $30.00

As to Dressing the Boy!

We've everything that's right in Boys' Clothes, and we're as ready to show as to sell.

Boys' Suits	Boys' Reefers and Overcoats
$2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50 up to $5 50.	$ 2.00 up to $10.00

WRIGHT & DAVIDSON CO.

Eighth and Market Sts., Wilmington, Del.

BURSTAN'S POPULAR CORNER STORE

Fall and Winter Shoes

This cold spell reminds us that we must have another pair of shoes for the winter—heavy ones that will keep out the cold and the snow. A russet calf shoe is very good for this, as is also a gunmetal or a box calf. We have all of these and in many styles and it is a well known fact that they are better and cheaper than any others in town. Here are a few of our standard lines:

Ladies' Security Shoes, gunmetal, button or lace ... $2.00
Ladies' Princess Shoes, gunmetal, button or lace $2 50 and $3
Ladies' high top russet calf $3 00
Men's Ibex line, gunmetal, russet or box calf $2.00
Men's Paddock line, gunmetal or box calf .. $2 50 and $3 00

Also many others, free for inspection, every pair guaranteed.

S. BURSTAN CORNER BROAD AND MAIN STS

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

A PHENOMINAL SUCCESS

OF

THE BOSTON STORE

Town Hall Building, - - MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

Busy every minute since this store opened Last Saturday, thats the record The GRAND OPENING SALE is making. We will be even busier. Men who were here yesterday, send their friends to-day. The wonderful bargains are causing an endless chain of advertising which money cannot buy.

IMMENSE VALUES! EXTRA SPECIALS!

SHOES

75c. Children's Shoes 49c. (Opening Sale)

$1.50 Boys' School Shoes ..... $1.15 (Opening Sale)

$1.50 Misses Shoes $1.15 (Opening Sale)

Safe-ti $4.00 and $5.00 Shoes ..... $3.00 (Opening Sale)

ELKS BRAND $4.00 and $5.00 Shoes ..... $3.00 (Opening Sale)

Men's good working Shoes at Special Prices.

CLOTHING

$12.00 Men's Suits $7.50 Opening Sale

$15.00 Men's Suits $9.00 Opening Sale

$20.00 Men's Suits $14.50 Opening Sale

$11.50 Men's Overcoats $6.50 Opening Sale

$14 Men's Overcoats $8.00 Opening Sale

$20 Men's Rain-Proof Coats - $12.50 Opening Sale

FURNISHINGS

$2.50 Men's Fine Pants $1.75 (Opening Sale)

$1.50 Grey and White Coat Sweaters ..... 98c. (Opening Sale)

50c. Fleece Lined underwear ..... 39c. (Opening Sale)

50c. Ladies' Ribbed Underwear ..... 39c. (Opening Sale)

15c. Men's Fine Socks... 8c. (Opening Sale)

75c. Men's Fine Dress Shirts ..... 39c. (Opening Sale)

$5.00 Men's Extra Good Pants ..... $3.50 (Opening Sale)

Only a trial will convince you that we are the pioneers in the Clothing business. No need of going far away to do your dealing, when you can get as nice goods as you want at your price---A real city store for your inspection.

Store Open Evenings | The BOSTON Store | Suits to Order $12.50 to $30.00

J. HOLLINS. Prop.

Town Hall Building, MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

SECURITY

TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT CO.,
S. W. COR. SIXTH & MARKET STS.
Wilmington, Del.

Capital $600,000 Surplus $600,000

Our Trust Department Will Settle Your Estate.

Our Money Department Will Transact Your Banking.

Our Safe Deposit Department Will Protect Your Valuables.

Our Real Estate Department Will Manage Your Properties.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Nields, President.
James B. Clarkson, Vice-President.
John S. Rossell, Sec. & Trust Officer.
L. Scott Townsend, Treasurer.

HAVE YOUR

Shoes Repaired

AT

M. DECKTER'S

The best work for less money and done while you wait. I will move Monday on Broad Street next door to *The New Era*, in Dr. Vaughan's old office.

Men's Soles and Heels 75c.
Ladies' Soles and Heels 65c.

M. DECKTER

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

J. F. McWHORTER & SON

STOVES

Double and Single Heaters, Cook Stoves and Ranges, Oil and Air Tight Stoves, a complete line, look them over. Repairs ordered for all makes of Stoves.

J. F. McWHORTER & SON

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

The Middletown Transcript

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.25 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. 6.00 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m

For Odessa—7.5.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.30 p. m.

For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.30 a. m, and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., NOV. 20, 1909

Local News

Ask for E. BLOME'S "Home Made" bread, 4c a loaf.

Muehlburger's Bread, Pies and Cakes fresh daily at M. BANNING.

One pair of 25c Ladies' Hose given with the sale of Cushion Comfort Shoes.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson will examine your teeth and give estimate without charge.

Men's and Boys' Clothing cleaned and pressed on short notice. Satisfaction guaranteed. MRS. C. M. STANGER.

FOR SALE.—Two heating stoves and lot of window shades, cheap. Inquire of DR. J. ALLEN JOHNSON.

Try our Cushion Comfort Shoes. They will give both comfort and wear.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

Dr. J. C. Stites has removed his denta office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

FOR RENT.—Store and dwelling at Mt. Pleasant. Possession given March 25th next. Apply to T. E. CLAYTON, Mt. Pleasant, Del.

Try our school shoes for boys and girls. You will save money. They are guaranteed. MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

Will sell or exchange a new 8 room house in the City of Wilmington, with all modern improvements, well located, for small farm or good town property. Apply to THIS OFFICE.

After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3.30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8.30; Saturdays, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8.30, for school children exclusively.

BARGAINS IN MILLINERY—$5 Plumes, $3; $4 Plumes, $2; $2 Plumes at $1. All millinery at less than half price.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

FOR SALE—12 gauge Parker hamerless shot gun, retail price $50. As good as new, sold for want of use. Will be sold at very low figure. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

Mrs. Alfred G. Cox passed another milestone in life on Thursday, this being her seventy-fifth anniversary. She received many cordial greetings from friends.

At the third annual State Corn Show held at Dover, this week, Mr. John C. Green was awarded $5.00 for the best 10 ears of corn of any variety from New Castle County.

Special sale of dishes and pictures begins next Monday. This is the time to buy Xmas presents.
MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

An important meeting of Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M., will be held on next Monday evening, November 22d. Important changes are to be made in the by-laws, and a full attendance is desired.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending November 11th: Mrs. E. Parks, Miss Rosie Smith, Mr. John Prour, Mr. J. W. Garey, Mr. Leneard Homes, L. M. Tottem, Mr. George Wiggins.

While gunning on the farm of Mr. Edward Pleasanton, Wednesday afternoon, Mr. William B. Williams, of Wilmington, was accidentally shot by Mr. Pleasanton, but fortunately the load entered his lower limbs and he was not seriously injured. Dr. J. W. Carrow removed 25 shot from his limbs and he is improving as rapidly as can be expected.

The three act comedy, "Out of Town," will be presented by the ladies of the New Century Club, on Thanksgiving night, November 25th, in the Middletown Opera House. Pool's Orchestra will furnish music, and if the weather is favorable the ladies are assured a full house. Tickets are now on sale at Letherbury's hardware store.

When the Battleship Delaware comes up the Delaware next spring she will stop opposite New Castle. The Board of Trade of Wilmington will present the silver service, and the portraits of Commodore MacDonough and Commodore Jones will also be presented. The Delaware, on her trial trip, attained a speed of 2198 knots, the greatest ever made by a first-class battleship.

The Rev. P. S. Donaghay delivered a most excellent paper before the clericus of the Diocese of Delaware at Newark on Tuesday afternoon, on "the relations of the Y. M. C. A. to the church and churches." He was also in attendance at the meeting of the Archdeaconry of Wilmington, held in Immanuel Church, in that city, on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. J. Frank Eliason and daughter, Miss Blanche, gave an Afternoon Tea, on Wednesday afternoon, from 3 to 5, at their home at Mt. Pleasant. About fifty guests were present. Mrs. Lewis E. Eliason and Mrs. J. T. Eliason, of New Castle; Mrs. Mark Cleaver, of Wilmington and Miss Emma Davis, of Still Pond, assisted Mrs. Eliason and Miss Blanche in receiving.

In order to move the large supply of Feed we now have on hand, we are making the following prices:

Bran	$27 00
Badger Dairy Feed	27 00
Sugarota Dairy Feed	27 00
Sucrene Dairy Feed	25 00

A discount of $1.00 per ton is allowed our milk patrons.
MIDDLETOWN FARMS, Inc.

The Ladies' Mite Society of Bethesda M. E. Church will hold a Bake and Rummage Sale on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 23d and 24th, in the store-room adjoining Mr. Monro's store on Main street. Poultry, dressed and undressed; home-made cakes, pies, biscuits, hot rolls, eggs, butter, vegetables, etc., will be for sale. Come and get supplied for Thanksgiving.

GUNNING NOTICES ready printed and for sale at THE TRANSCRIPT.

Hosiery and underwear for ladies' and children. Best goods sold at very low prices. We can and will sell on small profit. MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

Having 2 copies of the American Encyclopedic Dictionary, I will sell one very cheap—Four volumes, 4500 pages. The English publishers spent $500,000.00 and the American revisers $100,000.00 more to make this superb work. Besides the dictionary proper there are several valuable features added by the American revisers. Address "BOOKS," Care of TRANSCRIPT.

A very instructive hour was spent with the New Century Club on Tuesday afternoon, when Mr. W. E. Wright entertained the members with a Shakesperian reading. Mr. Wright is a lover of Shakespeare and his rendition is fine. A number of guests were present, among them being Mrs. William Boyer and Mrs. R. Louis Naudain, Wilmington; Mrs. Phillips, Smyrna; Mrs. J. G. Brown, Mrs. W. V. Woods, Mrs. R. L. Hallett and Mrs. John W. Watkins of Odessa. Tea was served after the meeting adjourned.

No matter how substantially built, a house is bound to depreciate in value, if the proprietor makes up his mind to spend no money on repairs. A business is subject to the same liability to deterioration under negligent management. Money spent on advertising is money on business repairs. It is poor economy to let either house or the business go to rack and ruin, to save the outlay that would be necessitated for proper maintenance. It is likewise poor economy to attempt to save on the cost of house or business repairs by employing cheap and incompetent rehabilitators. The newspaper is the best business builder.

HYMENEAL

COCHRAN-COCHRAN

A very quiet wedding was solominzed at "Cochran Grange" at four o'clock Thursday afternoon, when Miss Alvin Louise, the youngest daughter of Mrs. Ellie Eliza Cochran was invited in marriage to Mr. Charles Malcolm Cochran, son of Mr. Charles P. Cochran and a grandson of the late Governor John P. Cochran.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. P. L. Donaghay, Rector of St. Annes Episcopal Church, in the presence of the immediate families of the contracting parties. Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Cochran were driven to the depot, and boarded the 4.40 north bound train for a wedding trip.

The bride is one of Middletown's most popular and accomplished young ladies, and is a graud-daughter of the late Robert A. Cochran, for years a prominent citizen of this community.

Both the bride and groom have a large circle of friends in this section, who will join THE TRANSCRIPT in extending congratulations.

FISHBURNE-WATTS

On last Saturday afternoon, Miss Viola Watts, of Townsend, and Mr. Charles Fishburne, of Illinois, were quietly married at the M. E. Parsonage at Middletown by Rev. V. S. Collins. After January 1st, 1910, Mr. and Mrs. Fishburne will make their home in Illinois.

OPENING OF GUNNING SEASON

The gunning season opened Monday morning and from now until January the first it will be legal to shoot quail, rabbits, woodcock, etc. Despite the fact that the weather conditions seemed unfavorable, a large party went out Monday morning to enjoy the first day's hunt. A number of our local sportsmen went to Sussex, but a still larger majority stuck close to home and had great sport. Rabbits and birds are reported more plentiful this year than usual. Several parties returned with records of between 12 and 30 rabbits in one day's hunt. Fortunately the day was without a reported accident. Gunning trips will be in popular favor from now until the end of the season.

For Latest Fashion Form, comfort and wear, try Henderson Corset. From $1 to $5. MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

DEATH OF FLETCHER W. JOHNSON

Fletcher W. Johnson died at the Delaware Hospital in Wilmington Tuesday evening at 10 50 o'clock after a short illness, aged 28 years. Mr. Johnson was engaged in the livery business at Townsend, where he had resided for the past five years, and was widely known throughout lower New Castle County and on the Eastern Shore. Deceased was a native of Millington, Md., and his numerous friends in both Delaware and Maryland were shocked to learn of his untimely death. He leaves a wife, five brothers and one sister to mourn his death. One brother, J. M. Johnson, resides at Townsend.

Funeral services will be held at his late home in Townsend, this (Saturday) morning at 10 o'clock, and the remains will be taken to Holden's Cemetery near Millington, Md., for interment.

A DELIGHTFUL SURPRISE

The many friends of Mrs. John Garner gave her a delightful surprise at her home in Warwick, Md., Monday evening last, the occasion being her birthday. Mrs. Garner who was spending the evening with a neighbor was very much surprised when she returned home to find the house filled with relatives and friends anxiously awaiting her return.

The evening was pleasantly spent in dancing and other amusements, while vocal and instrumental music added much to the evening's program.

At a late hour the guests were invited to the dining room, where refreshments were served, consisting of ice cream, cake, fruits, etc., after which the guests departed for their homes, wishing their hostess many more similar events.

CHURCH NOTES

Union Thanksgiving services will be held at Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church 10.30 A. M., Thanksgiving Day. As usual, the congregation of Forest Presbyterian Church will unite with the Methodists, and Dr. F. H. Moore, the pastor of Forest Presbyterian Church, will preach the sermon. All are invited.

The improvements at Bethesda are progressing nicely. The carpenters have finished their preliminary work, and the plasterers are now at work on the stairways and gallery. The frescoing will be awarded this week. Mr. Whitlock, our local electrical expert, is putting in the wiring for the new electric light system.

IN RECEIVER'S HANDS

Attorney A. B. Magee made application for and obtained in the Court of Chancery at Wilmington a receiver for the Clayton Enterprise Company, one of the largest business concerns in Kent county. Charles Howell LeFevre of Smyrna, was appointed the receiver and he gave bond in the sum of $50,000.

The company has been manufacturing, merchandising and agriculture. Twenty-thousand packages of canned goods are warehoused at its Clayton plant, and it also has extensive lumber yards, threshing and other machines and general store.

It is believed here that the company, under the management of Prothonotary LeFevre, can be again placed on its feet to continue its extensive business.

PERSONALITIES.

Mrs. J. C. Crouch spent part of last week in Smyrna.

Mrs. Thorndyke Roe, of Greenwood, visited relatives here this week.

Miss May Kumpel was the guest of friends in Philadelphia on Saturday.

Mr. Frank C. Jolls is dangerously ill at the National Hotel with typhoid fever.

Mrs. A. M. Chamberlaine is entertaining Mrs. Elizabeth Boyer, of Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Bilderback, of Wilmington, spent last Sunday with Miss Eugene Beasten.

Mrs. Sallie Kumpel returned home on Monday, after a visit with Philadelphia relatives.

Mr. John Lynch, of Wilmington, spent several days this week with T. S. Fouracre and family.

Mrs. Adam Bredemeier and children are visiting her sister, Mrs. F. C. Housman, in Milford.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Louis Naudain, of Wilmington, are guests of his mother, Mrs. R. L. Naudain.

Mrs. Anna Schmidt, of DesMoines, Iowa, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. P. L. Donaghay at St. Annes rectory.

Mr. Noah R. Adkins who has been critically ill at his home on East Main street is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Echenhofer, of Philadelphia, spent several days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Echenhofer.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pedrick, of New Castle, have been spending the week at the home of her brother, Mr. Archer Crawford, near Warwick.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Holmead, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, spent Monday with Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Donaghay at the Rectory.

The Rev. J. L. McKim, of Milford, visited the Rev. P. L. Donaghay and preached in St. Annes Church at 7.30 o'clock Sunday evening.

Mr. James B. Adkins returned to St. Stephens, S. C., on Monday, after a brief visit at his home here. The many friends of Mr. Adkins, who is a civil engineer, will be pleased to learn that he is engaged in the construction of a viaduct over the Santee River.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION

The first convention of the Missionary Societies of this district, known as the Middletown District, of the Presbyterian Church, was held on Thursday in Forest Presbyterian Church. The churches in this district are Port Penn, St. Georges, Odessa, Middletown, Smyrna, Georgetown and Kennedyville.

The business of the Home Missionary Society was transacted in the morning, and was in charge of Mrs. J. R. Milligan of St. Georges. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. George Derrickson, president of the local society. The Foreign Missionery Society of Bethesda M. E Church, the Foreign and Home Societies, Christian Endeavor, Junior Christian Endeavor and Sunday School of Forest Church were represented. Mrs. Edward Reynolds acted as secretary.

Mrs. Milligan told how the work in this line is carried on in the Presbytery. A large amount of work has been done during the year and money and boxes sent to poor stations and schools, beside the usual money sent to the foreign fields. Our own Christian Endeavor of Forest Church has recently sent a valuable box to Good Will, Dakota. Mrs. Milligan also told of the Synodical meeting recently held at Washington, D. C., and spoke of the Farm School in North Carolina, a mission work.

The morning session adjourned after singing and prayer, and the ladies ate their box luncheon in the Sunday school room.

The afternoon devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Charles Derrickson, with prayer by Mrs. Milligan. Miss Lena Pleasanton presided at the organ. Mrs. Robinson of Wilmington, was in charge of the business meeting which was devoted to the work of the Foreign Society. Letters from Miss Alice Butz, a missionary teacher in Korea and Miss Johnson, a teacher in India, were read and were very interesting and encouraging. Mrs. Robinson told of the work done by the Foreign Branch of the Society. Mrs. M. L. Cox of the Foreign Missionary Society of Bethesda M. E. Church, was called on to tell of the work of the society in her church. Mrs. Cox has been president of this society since its organization thirty-five years ago, and is thoroughly interested in and familiar with the work. Mrs. W. V. Woods of Odessa, gave an interesting account of the Young Peoples Society of Drawyers Church, Odessa. These young people, both boys and girls being members of the society, are much interested in the mission work among the boys and girls in Alaska. Mrs. R. L. Hallett, also of Odessa, told of the mission work at Point Barrow in the north of Alaska, in a well written paper. Mrs. Milligan spoke of the Sheldon Jackson scholarship, named for the famous Alaskan missionary, who has spoken in our own Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Boyer of Wilmington, gave greetings from the Baptist Church, telling how that church also is engaged in the mission work.

Rev. Dr. Moore, pastor of the Church, gave cordial greetings to the Convention. After singing, Dr. Moore pronounced the benediction and the meeting adjourned.

POISONED CANDY KILLS BABY

GEORGETOWN, Del., Nov. 13—Poisoned from eating colored stick candy, four-years-old Emma Walls died yesterday.

A few days ago the little girl purchased a prize package of red and green candy sticks at a small store. After eating it she became violently ill. A physician diagnosed the case as dye poisoning.

The death of the child means an investigation and a probable ban on such poisonous confections—*Evening Journal.*

Parents, never let your children buy or eat colored candy of any kind. Some wicked makers, despite the laws against it, still use deadly poisons, like green Arseniate of copper, yellow salts of lead, etc., to give the candy a pretty color. The safe rule is to avoid all colored candies. Pure sugar is thus obtained and that is as toothsome as wholesome—for growing children—in reasonable amount.

ADVERTISING IN NONPAREIL

Like Silas Wegg, The Mail Order Journal "drops into poetry" to observe that—

There was a man in our town who thought
he was wondrous wise;
He swore by all the fable gods that he'd
never advertise.
But, alas! He advertised, and thereby
hangs a tale.
His ad. was set in nonpareil and headed
"Sheriff's sale."

Of course, not all business men who disbelieve in advertising are forced into it by the Sheriff's sale route; but all of them are severly handicapped by their shortsightedness. It isn't mere chance that a list of regular newspaper advertisers in any given city is identical with a list of that city's most prosperous and successful men.

This has always been THE TRANSCRIPT'S view.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23d, 1909.—Public Sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by John E. Denny, administrator of John W. Denny, on the Dilworth farm, now tenanted by Harry Vosbell, adjoining Port Penn.

TOWNSEND

Miss Lillian Hart spent last Thursday in Philadelphia.

Miss Anna Davis, of North Dakota, is visiting George M. D. Hart and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and son, of Smyrna, spent Sunday with their parents here.

Mr. Martin Lee, of Philadelphia, is spending this week with his mother here.

Mrs. W. Herman Reynolds and three children are visiting her parents at Still Pond.

Mrs. William A. Lee and children, of near town, spent Sunday with her parents near Kenton.

Mrs. George Knotts and son Lloyd were the guests of friends in Wilmington a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knotts were the guests of Mr. Joseph Hutchinson and wife, of near Blackbird, on Sunday.

Misses Ethelwyn Maloney and Arrelee Lattomus have been spending part of this week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. William Lednum and Mr. John Reynolds, of Wilmington, spent a few days of this week with John Townsend and family.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold an Oyster and Poultry Supper in the Church Hall next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Nov. 23d and 24th. Everybody is invited to come.

WARWICK

Miss Bessie W. Gunkel spent Friday in Smyrna, Del.

Mr. Clarence Lipscomb spent Friday to his home here.

Mr. E. F. Spear and family visited Mr. S. D. Wilson and family on Sunday.

Miss Mamie L. Merritt spent from Friday until Sunday with her parents.

Miss Stella Bishop is spending a few days with Miss Clara Price near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Bavard Jordon are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eaton.

Mrs. William Vinyard and son spent Wednesday with Mr. Edward Manlove and family.

Mrs. Mary A. Lofland has returned home, after a visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Merritt and daughter spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. U. P. Ginn.

Mrs. J. R. Price and mother, Mrs. S. E. Gunkel, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Duryea.

Communion services at the M. P. Church to-morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock. All are invited.

CECILTON

William Brown, Jr., spent last Thursday in Wilmington.

Mr. Harry Price, of Baltimore, is visiting his wife here in town.

Mr. L. Caulk, of Wyoming, Del., has been visiting his sister, Mrs. O. E. Jones.

Mrs. E. A. Bloxton has been visiting friends in Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Messrs. Clifford Hoover and Irving Burke spent last Thursday with Durney Oldham.

Mr. Julian Jones, wife and daughter, of Kennedyville, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. James P. McCoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Padley and son, of Earleville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Alderson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Steele, of Chesapeake City, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Watts on Sunday.

Mr. George McColough and sister, Miss H. McColough, of Colora, Md., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wilson, near town.

Harold Padley who is attending business school in Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Padley.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

J. S. Hopper spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Aldred Hague was a recent visitor in Wilmington.

J. Groome Steele spent Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Bennett Steele was a visitor in Baltimore several days this week.

Mrs. Jennie M. Ogden is teaching Domestic Science at York Hospital.

Miss Ida Bouchelle was the guest of Mrs. Frank S. Clayton on Saturday.

Miss Elizabeth Cooling has returned from an extended visit in Jarrettsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Wallis have been spending several days in Baltimore.

Mrs. George Murray and son, of Camden, have been visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Frank Shadrick, of Baltimore, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Tatman.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bouchelle were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Bouchelle on Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Lindsey, wife of Henry A Lindsey, of Wilmington, died in that city Sunday. Interment will be made at Bethel Cemetery on Wednesday.

The young ladies of Mrs. Edwin Gardner's Sunday School class of the M. E. Church will hold a clipping and pie social at Reed's corner store, Saturday evening, November 20.

Miss Dora B. Steele and Mr. Harry Sherman were quietly married in Baltimore Monday morning by Rev. William F. Venables, former rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Miss Katie Loveless carried off the honors in spelling for the month of October at the High School in the regular course. She was the only student that did not miss a word. Miss Mery Baker and Miss Dora Morgan in the Commercial Department each made 100 per cent.

SPECIAL OFFER REPEATED

To give everybody an opportunity to have their eyes examined and to get glasses at a reduced price, Dr. M. B. Burstan will repeat his special offer for another week which will positively be the last week of this extraordinary offer.

Dr. Burstan has the distinction of being the only graduate eye specialist in New Castle County, outside of Wilmington, and also the only registered Optometrist (physical eye-specialist) registered by the State Board of Examiners in Optometry appointed by the Governor of the State.

The optometry law of the State of Delaware requires that all persons who would examine eyes shall be graduates of reputable colleges and shall submit to rigid examination. Our wise law makers are to be commended for enacting a law of this kind. Violators of the optometry law are liable to heavy fine and imprisonment, this is just and right as the eye is a very delicate organ and no one who is not thoroughly qualified should not be allowed to tamper with the most delicate organ in the human body. Look up Dr. Burstan's ad in this issue.

EACH SCHOOL GETS $207

The State Treasurer has declared a dividend of $207 to the public school districts of the State, the $207 being the amount per each teacher employed that the State will contribute this year toward the support of free public schools. There are 835 teachers allowed for, although Wilmington is only allowed dividends for 165, the amount set by law, but has many more teachers employed. In making up the dividend from the several sources of income to the State's school fund, the State Treasurer must compute it so as to leave a balance in the treasury to meet current expenses and pay for new text books. The decrease in the dividend from last year, which was $212, is accounted for by the increase in the number of teachers employed. The dividends were distributed in the banks last week.

Administrator's Sale
—OF—
Personal Property !

The undersigned will sell at Public Vendue, on the farm at Port Penn, now occupied by Harry Vosbell,

Tuesday, Nov. 23d, '09

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

The following described Personal Property, to-wit:

6 HEAD OF
Horses and Colts

No. 1—Beauty, gray mare, 6 years old, with foal.
No. 2—Ray, black mare, 4 years old.
No. 3—Dudley, brown mare, 6 years old.
No. 4—Dolly, bay mare, about 18 years old.
No. 5—Ben a, black mare, 14 years old
No, 6—One Bay Colt, 1 year old.
All the above horses are good workers and drivers.

6 HEAD OF
Milch Cows

One Brood Sow and a lot of Shoats

FARMING IMPLEMENTS, &c.

One grain drill, 1 grain fan, 1 corn sheller 1 randall harrow, 1 Deering binder, 1 Deering mower, 1 corn planter, 2 sulky cultivators, 2 farm wagons, 2 bay riggings, 1 horse rake, 1 land roller, 1 twin harrow, lot of plows, grindstone, plow and wagon harness and many other articles too numerous to mention.

☞TERMS CASH.

JOHN E. DENNY, Adm.,
of John W. Denny, deceased.
W. HARMAN REYNOLDS, Auctioneer.
JULIAN G. CLEAVER, Clerk.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
Pencader Hundred!

The taxable residents of Pencader Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

GLASGOW
Nov. 24th, Dec. 28th, 1 to 4 P. M.
SUMMIT BRIDGE
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 10 to 12 A. M.
KIRKWOOD
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 2 to 4 P. M.
DAYETT'S MILL
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 10 to 12 A. M.
BRYAN'S STORE
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 2 to 4 P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 0, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

JOHN T. WRIGHT,
Collector of Taxes for Pencader Hundred

ANNOUNCEMENT !

As my NEW BAKERY is just completed, I am now ready to supply the public with

Fresh Bread, Cakes and Pies Daily,

And am confident I can give you satisfaction. Quality and cleanliness will be strictly adhered to. If you have any fault to find, please come to me with them, and I will try to correct them.

You are cordially invited to inspect my Bakery, and your patronage is earnestly solicited.

EDMOND BLOME,
Middletown, - Delaware

Messick's !

Give Your Trade Where you can Place Your CONFIDENCE

During our business career in this town we have sough to build up a clientage by the most upright methods and straightforward dealing with our customers, and thus to deserve the confidence of those who patronize us. The success which has become our portion demonstrates that we have done this. In a large measure we owe much to the fact that we have never been satisfied with "Good Enough" Merchandise; but have always tried to better the quality of our goods and the character of our service.

In presenting a very comprehensive showing of

KIRSCHBAUM CLOTHES

We submit the New Style for your favor at

$15, $18 & $20

At the Old Price

Hill Muslin 9½c yard.

Lancaster Ginghams, 7½c yard. This is less than Wholesale Cost.

J. B. MESSICK

Cochran Block

Middletown, Delaware

Let Us Estimate on Your **Job Printing.**

ANOTHER WEEK ONLY

$3.50 to $5.00 Gold Filled Eye Glasses

SPECIAL $1.00

Satisfaction or Money Refunded

Beginning THIS Morning

This "Stevens" sale is an advertising proposition pure and simple—your advantage is a superior grade of goods at a special low price—my profit is making 600 new acquaintances and winning their confidence

Stevens mountings are the best in the world—they occupy the same position in the optical trade as "Rogers Bros. 1847" do in the silverware line, and "Elgin" or "Waltham" do in the watch business.

To give everybody an opportunity, I will repeat this **Special offer for one more week. Remember this is positively the last week.**

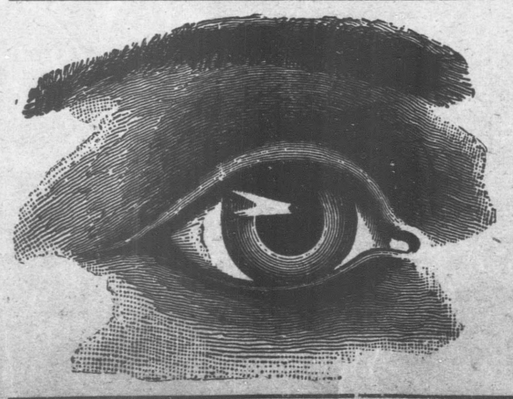
SUCH A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT no doubt makes you ask if it is absolutely bona fide, and if so, why I do it. The whole story is this: I have decided to make this **unheard of sacrifice** of regular **$3.50 and $5.00 gold-filled glasses at $1.00** for one week to gain the full support and patronage of Middletown people and thus build up an extensive optical business. The lenses are the same as I sell in my regular lines, every one fully guaranteed, and I use just as much care in fitting your eyes. Glasses fitted to any eye. Difficult cases a specialty.

EXAMINATION FREE

During this wonderful sale I will be in charge, and every patient will get a scientific examination and glasses properly adjusted. REMEMBER: I am making this sale to build up a business and cannot afford to exaggerate. Special prices during sale on special ground lenses and Bifocals.

ONE WEEK MORE "Stevens S. Q." Gold-filled Eyeglass Mountings—every pair guaranteed by the makers—fitted with our own lenses, including examination, **$1.00**

All "Stevens" frame and mountings are stamped on the bridge—"Stevens S. Q."—look for it—don't take my word. They are gold filled—not gold plated—permanently guaranteed by Stevens & Co, (Inc.) of Providence, R I. and myself—and will be replaced at any time if they fail to give satisfaction.



A $3.50 or $5.00 pair of Gold-filled Glasses fitted to your eyes for

$1.00

I will gladly refund your money if you are not satisfied with your purchases during this sale.

DR. MAURICE B. BURSTAN

Registered Optometrist Optician

Cor. Broad and Main Sts., at Burstan's Dept. Store

MIDDLETOWN, - DELAWARE

Ice Cream

FOR ALL

Occasions

Our facilities for manufacturing Ice Cream are unsurpassed and we are in a position to fill orders immediately upon receipt of same.

There is neither necessity or reason in sending your orders to distant points when we can supply you with as good or better Cream than you can possibly buy elsewhere. Anyone familiar with our Ice Cream will vouch for its superior quality.

Whether for family use, for parties, weddings or banquets we can supply all orders with satisfaction in every way. No order is too large or too small. Cream packed in bulk or in bricks—as you wish it. All the standard flavors.

☞Send us your next order.

Middletown Farms,
Middletown, Del.
Pure Dairy Products

1909 TIME TABLE 1909

The Iron STEAMER CLIO

Captain H. V. Woodall
WILL LEAVE
Odessa for Philadelphia
AND RETURN FROM
Arch Street WHARF,
AS PER TIME TABLE:

ODESSA	NOVEMBER	PHILA
Monday, 1,	12noon	Tuesday, 2, 7.30pm
Thursday, 4,	1.00pm	Friday, 5, 12noon
Monday, 8,	4.30pm	Tuesday, 9, 2.00pm
Thursday, 11,	6.00pm	Friday, 12, 3.30pm
Monday, 15,	11.00am	Tuesday, 16, 6.00pm
Thursday, 18,	12.30pm	Friday, 19, 11.00am
Monday, 22.	3.30pm	Tuesday, 23, 1.00pm
Friday, 26,	6.30pm	Saturday, 27, 4.00pm
Monday, 29,	11.00am	Tuesday, 30, 6.30pm

Grain, Fruit and Stock Freighted at Reasonable Rates.

☞Attention given to the Careful Handling and Prompt Delivery of all consignments.

☞For information in regard to Freights, apply to
F. B. WATKINS, Manager
Odessa, Delaware
WILLIAM W. ROSE, Purser

☞NOTICE!

I, JOHN P. McINTYRE, owner and occupier of the house known as the Middletown Hotel, situated at Middletown, in School Districts, Nos. 60, 60½ and 94, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the Acts of the General Assembly in such case made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of General Sessions of the State of Deaware, in and for New Castle County, Monday, the 3d day of January, A. D. 1910, being the next term of said Court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors in quantities less than one quart, to be drunk on the premises, and the following respectable citizens of said School District, at least six of whom are substantial freeholders of said School District, recommend the said application, viz:

Joshua Clayton, Jr.	Corbit Vinyard,
C. P. Cochran,	Harry M. Black,
Julian Cochran,	J. B. Messick,
J. L. Parsons,	G. E. Ellis,
John C. Carroll,	N. J. Williams,
Geo. Echenhofer,	Alex. Metten,
Cyrus Tatman,	Alex. Maxwell,
W. A. Comegys,	Walter S. Letherbury
Joseph Garr,	Henry L. Davis,
George W. Peterson,	W. B. Bugg.

JOHN P. McINTYRE.
Middletown, Del., Nov. 11th, 1909.

FIRE INSURANCE

Town Property, Farm Buildings and Stock
TORNADO INSURANCE
☞Insure now against damage by wind storms
Life and Accident Insurance
GEORGE D. KELLY
Middletown